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**Editor,
World Journal of Clinical Oncology**

Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name 8928.review.doc).

Title: Cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2) and the inflammogenesis of breast cancer

Authors: Randall E. Harris, Bruce C. Casto, Zachary M. Harris

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for notification of acceptance of our article pending revisions.

The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers.

The format has been updated in accordance with instructions.

Revisions have been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers as follows:

Reviewer 02885037

- 1. All abbreviations are defined upon first use in the text.**
- 2. The method of selecting articles for inclusion in the meta-analysis is described (Page 10).**
- 3. In Table 1, the adjustment variables are given in a footnote to the table.**
- 4. Literature errors have been corrected (Page 9).**

5. A statement about genetic polymorphisms of COX-2 is inserted (Page 11).
6. The number of independent studies is correct as written: “Five of these studies...” (Page 12).

Reviewer 00571883

7. A statement about high dosages of aspirin and other NSAIDs and risk of heart disease has been inserted (Page 27).
8. Figure 5 has been corrected to sharpen contrast (see uploaded Power Point file).

Reviewer 02884529

9. All grammatical corrections noted by Reviewer 02884529 have been made.
10. One exception “cyclooxygenase-1” on Page 3, Line 20, is correct as written.
11. References have been corrected and reformatted as bracketed superscripts.
12. PMID and DOI numbers have been inserted for references as available.
13. Figures & Tables are correctly placed and clearly labeled with footnotes in the manuscript. Also, a separate Power Point file of Figures and Tables has been uploaded for edits and reformatting.

We thank the reviewers of the manuscript and the editor of WJCO for valuable comments and revisions.

Thank you for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

Sincerely yours,



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